The Rappahannock Valley.

An interesting article on the "Rappahan nock Valley," appears in the March number of DeBow's Review. The article is from the pen of Mr. Geo. Fitzhugh. As whatever pertains to the history of the country lying upon that noble river whose waves were ploughed by the keels of the steamers "Virginia" and "William Selden" cannot fail to interest the people of the Monumental City, we shall very briefly epitomize the points of Mr. Fitzhugh's

entertaining paper.

The Rapahannock Valley, on account of tiers at so early a period that population seems to have advanced in it upward from the Chesapeake pari passu with that on James river. Captain Smith sailed up the Rappahannock to its falls soon after the settle-ment of Jamestown. In 1652 the county of Lancaster sent members to the House of Burgesses, and in 1669 forts were established simultaneously at the falls of the Rappahan-nock and the James. It is believed that as far back as 1630 colonists must have occupied the lands on either side of the mouth of the and had to be killed .- Rich. Dispatch. former stream. Owing to the "aquatic" and "amphibious" character of the English, the margin of the river, and this accounts for the present form of the counties in the northern neck, which do not run across the Rappahannock to the Potomac, although nature has pointed out these boundaries. No other two arge rivers in the world run parallel and so near to each other for a long distance as the two just mentioned. A hundred and twenty miles from their mouths they are only twelve miles apart, and thence to the Chesapeake the average is only twenty miles.

Mr. Fitzhugh, evidently in love with his subject, claims that the Rapahannock Valley is the most productive on the whole Atlantic coast, and the most beautiful, except that of the Hudson; and the Northern Neck he considers the finest part of Virginia. The first settlers of this fertile region were English cavaliers and their dependants, next Scotch merchants, then French Huguenots, and lastly Scotch Jacobites, a tolerably homogeneous and certainly a worthy class of people.— Among the first houses built after population began to thicken in Rappahannock Valley, were places for the deposits and inspection of tobacco called "rolling-houses," so named be cause there were few wagons, in those days and people rolled their tobacco to market .-In this connection, Mr. Fitzhugh recalls many other interesting reminiscences .-Balt. American.

A Lesson to be Learned.

There is a lesson which we as a people, and which the Democracy of the country especially, have yet to learn. They talk of extending the area of freedom, of the spread of Demoeratic principles, of the time when American institutions shall be adopted by all peoples, but are pursuing a course and setting an example which will most effectually prevent such desirable triumph and diffusion of free, republican, popular government. They forget that one fact is more influential than a thousand boasts. They overlook, from the government to the individual citizen, the fact that every misuse of that sovereignty which inures to the people, discredits popular government abroad as well as undermines it at home; that the proofs which they are, month by month and year by year, writing on the page of history that popular institutions may work demoralization as well as despotic ones, are so many accumulating barriers to the spread of freedom, so many additional bulwarks for the protection of despotism .-In case of peoples as well as of individuals, "actions speak louder than words," and such revelations of Democratic misuse of patronage for purely political ends, of disregard of the citizen's right of franchise, as have been madeduring the last Congress, will have immensely more influence in other countries than a million stump speeches in favor of enlarging the area of freedom. If we would convert the world to a practical faith in popular government, we must demonstrate to th world that it bears the best fruits. There i a responsibility resting upon the American people to do this, but reform at home must precede its accomplishment, -- N. Y. Com.

A Card.

Engagements of a pressing character will prevent me from replying fully at present to the extraordinary statements of Mr. Massey in this morning's Gazette. I feel it to be incumbent upon me, how-

ever, to repel at once the following declarations, as utterly false: "But one course is left me, and that is to say that

Col. C. E. Stuart told me not only in substance, but word for word, all that I stated in that Convention | D. B. Smith. speech, saving and excepting the part about the

To show that this is not true, it is only necessary to refer to the following letter of Mr. Massey, as proving that he relied upon me alone to establish one fact, as he has here-

tofore admitted in the Gazette. ALEXANDRIA, March 17, 1859.

C. E. STUARI, ESQ.
SIR: As the editor of the Virginia Sentinel has thought proper in his paper of the 10th instant, to controyert a statement made by me in the late Whig and American Convention, as to Gov. Smith's knowledge of the party he was addressing from the Marshall House steps on the evening prior to the election of May, 1855, I shall feel obliged if you

his making that speech. Your obedient servant, WM. D. MASSEY. To this single proposition, I responded by a statement of the facts, which has been sup-

If Mr. Massey stated not only in substance but word for word what I had told him, why did he confine his inquiry to one point alone? Mr. Massey knows that this was the only point upon which I ever held a conversation | ment. with him, upon this subject, and I have no hesitation in saving that my last card in the Sentinel contained the substance of all that l ever said upon the subject; and whether the contrary be affirmed by Mr. Massey, or his confederates, I denounce it as a wilful CHARLES E. STUART. falsehood. Alexandria, March 29-1t

TO FISHERMEN AND FARMERS. 6000 BUSHELS HEAVY BRIGHT SALT. purposes. For sale at a low price, by B. H. LAMBERT,

mh 30--eo12t Union Wharf. WEDDING PRESENTS .- Just finished, a large lot of Fancy Silver Ware, of new and elegant designs, gotten up especially for Wedding Presents. M. W. GALT & BRO.,

Jewellers, 354 Penn. ave., 4 doors west of Washington, inh 30—3t Brown's Hotel. DONOVAN'S SYRUP OF BARK; Stoughton's Tonic Bitters; Black Writing Ink; just man-

offactured, and for sale by
JAMES ENTWISLE, JR., Apothecary, 94 King-street.

BUTTER AND CHEESE.—Just received 13 kegs prime BUTTER, and 12 boxes Eastern CHEESE, in store and for sale by JOHN E. HENDERSON, Cor. King & Alfred sts. JUST RECEIVED another supply of Empire Cabs, Perambulators, and Spring Gigs; also, Rolling Hoops, and Market Baskets, of all sizes, at

C. C. BERRY'S, 72 King street. SCOTCH OATS.—Just received from Scotland, a lot of Oats, weighing 48 lbs, per bushel, very superior. Price \$2.50 per bushel, for sale by mh 30 DRAYTON G. MEADE. DRAYTON G. MEADE. SALT 3000 bushels Turk's Island Salt, in

prime order, now landing; also 500 sacks G. A. Salt, to arrive, and for sale by mh 30 M. ELDRIDGE, Union Wharf. NEW GOODS.—RICHARDS", 110, King-st., has received his entire stock of GOODS for this season, and would respectfully solicit a call.

OBACCO SEED .- Maryland and Havans, reab 30 H. COOK & CO., Sarepta Hall.

BY YESTERDAY EVENING'S MAILS.

THE CROPS .- The wheat crops throughout the county present a most promising appearance at this time, and particularly that which carrier not being at the wharf when the mail was drilled. There is an unusually large crop growing, and if the season should continue to be as favorable as it has been, our farmers will realise an unprecedented harvest.

We have never witnessed a more flattering prospect for an abundant crop of fruit of every description, than is everywhere in this section presented at this time. The peach its great beauty and fertility, attracted set- and other descriptions of early fruit are in full bloom, and none have yet been injured. far as we have observed .- Woodstock Tenth Legion.

the Central Railroad, near Victor's mill pond, just within the corporate limits, and so mashed up as to be rendered entirely worthless .-Each of them had their legs badly broken

land was settled in narrow strips along the Richmond, Mr. Ceple McGruder, while laboring under an aberration of mind, on Monday took a large dose of strychnine. The usual antidotes were resorted to, which saved him.

> [COMMUNICATED. Please insert the following, copied from the New York Observer, and oblige, A. Johns, an Episcopal clergyman in Baltimore, says of "excessive denominationalism:" "Wherever this goes beyond love for souls, something is wrong. So fearful am I of this spirit, that I have been accustomed for years in passing a house of worship, of some other

> > DIED.

In Washington, on the 28th instant, Mrs. MAR-GARET HOGAN, in the 58th year of her age. late of the county of Limerick, Ireland, and sister of John Sinon, esq.

In Washington, on Sunday, the 27th instant, VIRGINIA FRANCES, wife of Frank A. Metice. of Norfolk, Virginia, aged twenty-six years.

> COMMERCIAL. The Markets.

BALTIMORE, March 29 .- Flour is unchanged.

Howard street \$6.25. Wheat closed with a deelining tendency; white 140 (a 180c.; red 145 (a 155c. Corn closed dull; white 75(a.79c.; yellow has declined 2c., 80@83c. Provisions closed dull and unchanged. Whiskey closed quiet. Coffee closed firm at 111 @ 12c. for prime Rio.

NEW YORK, March 29 .- Flour has declined: State, \$5.40(a.\$5.80; Ohio \$6.50(a.\$6.75; Southern \$6.20@\$6.70. Wheat is very dull, and quotations at the close were nominally 1@2c. lower. Corn closed quiet; yellow and mixed 90c. Pork closed heavy; mess \$17.50(a \$18; prime \$12.871 (a \$13. Lard closed dull with trivial sales. Whiskey closed dull at 271c. Stocks are dull and lower. Cumberland Coal Company 231. Va. 6's 98. Sterling exchange is firmer at 109%.

Liverpool Market, March 12.

Breadstuffs .- The market has a declining tendency—Messrs. Richardson, Spence & Co. quote:
The market is very dull, but prices are generally the Department, ex officio. unchanged. Flour 10s@ 12s 3d H cental. -red 5s 9d(@9s 2d; white 8s 7d(@ 10s 9d. Cornmixed and yellow 6s@6s 3d; white 7s 3d@7s 4d.

Beef is firm for poor; finer qualities had declined that the Suction Engine, belonging to the

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MARINE LIST.

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA-MARCH 29. ARRIVED. Schr. Helen Marr, Nickerson, Boston, to M. Eldridge. Schr. Sarah E. Jones, Jones, New York, to Bor-

den Mining Co. Schr. Ann S. Brown, Brown, New York, to Borden Mining Co. Schr. Beulsh, Hanson, Providence, to Borden

SAILED. Sehr. James M. Bayliss, Thompson, Boston, by Propeller C. C. Alger, Shore, Philadelphia, by

Wm. H. Fowle & Son. arrived at Boston, 26th inst.
Schr. Sarah Woodbridge, Higgins, from Boston, for Georgetown, D. C., was ashore on George's Island, 25th inst., and lost part of her shoe before getting off. Will repair and proceed as early as

Schr. Greenland, Elzey, from this port, arrived at Providence, 26th inst.

Messrs. SMITH, SHACKELFORD, and THOMAS, will address the Voters of Spotsylvania, on Monday, 4th of April; of King George, on Thursday, 7th of April-being the Court days of mh 18 the several Counties.

JOHN F. CHAUNCEY, (Agent for William Hughes, Washington, D. C.) FLORIST AND GARDENER.

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this place.

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them with a call. TTUMOROUS BOOKS .- My Thirty Years out Downing, illustrated, \$1 25.
Wild Western Scenes, Major Jones' Courtship. Skeiches of Travel, Chronicles of Pineville, Sam

Slick's Yankee Yarns and Letters, Big Bear of Arkansas, &c., 50c., received, and for sale by mh 30 JOHN P. PARROTT. CANNON'S BITTERS; Diarrhora Cordial; Kidwell's Beech Drop; Kennedy's Medical Discovery; Holloway's, Jaynes', and Brandreth's Pills;

McAlister's All Healing, and Morehead's Magnetic Ointments: Well's Machine Spread Plasters, and Sing's Itch Cure, for sale by PEEL, STEVENS & CO.,

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A ceived, and for sale by mh 30 H. COOK & CO., Sarepta Hall. WHITE WASH BRUSHES-Brushes of all kinds; Feather Dusters, for sale by kinds; Feather Dusters, for sale by 30 JOHN OGDEN. mh 30

CHILDREN'S CARRIAGES, for sale by JOHN OGDE JOHN OGDEN. OWING TO THE GREAT DEMAND FOR those beautiful little GEMS OF ART, HILL O'NEIL'S AMBROTYPES, the PORTA-

BLE SKY LIGHT SALOON will remain on King, near Washington street, till March 31st, and positively no longer. 22 Perfect satisfac-NOTICE TO GAS CONSUMERS.—Bills for the quarter conding. N the quarter ending March 15th, are now roady for delivery. All bills paid within five days after presentation, a discount of 5 per cent will be allowed. [mh 29-3t] J. ROXBURY, Supt. 150 BALES BEST TIMOTHY HAY, for sale [mb 7] WHEAT & BRO. LOCAL ITEMS

THE SOUTHERN MAIL was not left at this place yesterday, in consequence of the mail boat stopped, which was much earlier than usual. We received the Richmond Dispatch by the Orange and Alexandria Railroad.

SMASH .- On Monday night last, the lower floor of the Warehouse of Messrs. Barley & street, upon which were several tons of nails, crockery, &c., gave way, precipitating nails and other hardware, crockery, &c., in one promiscuous mass into the cellar below, and MULES KILLED .- On Sunday evening last causing a considerable breakage to the crockday that the floor would not bear the weight, but they were not heeded, and yesterday morning the consequences were discovered on opening the door of the building. It is fortunate that it occurred at night when no One of the clerks in the Post Office, in one was in the building, as loss of life in addition to destruction of property, might have

FISH MARKET .- The arrivals of fish vesterday were about the same as on the previous day, and of excellent quality. Shad sold from \$16 to 20 and herring from \$121 to \$14. The prices depend upon the de-"A CHRIST-LIKE SENTIMENT .- Rev. Dr. mand, when each vessel arrives, which varies throughout the day.

A Canal boat heavily laden with flour consigned to a merchant in Georgetown, sunk while on her downward passage on denomination than my own, to lift my heart Sunday last. The cargo, consisting of 1100 to God in prayer for that minister and his barrels, was taken out of her before it sustained any damage of moment.

Fires having become so frequent of late in this place, and there is so little security for any out buildings, that we know of one gentleman who has sold his cow and torn down his stable, fearing that the stable might and daughter of Dr. E. C. and Adaline Robinson, be set fire to and his adjacent property dam-

> INTRODUCTORY SERMON .- Rev. N. S. Green-- away preached his introductory sermon in the Methodist Protestant Church, on Sunday morning, to a very large and appreciative audience. He also delivered an excellent sermon in the evening. The style of the reverend gentleman is plain, yet eloquent and impressive, and the congregation was much interested and very attentive on both occa-

ELECTION OF DELEGATES .- At the regular meeting of the Hydraulion Fire Company. No. 5, last Monday evening, Messrs. Wm. duly elected to represent the Company in the durability, case of management, and adaptation to Fire Department for the ensuing year. The President, Benjamin Barton, esq., and the two Wardens, Messrs. Richard L. Carne, Jr.,

UNDER REPAIR .- We are requested to say | SPRING TRADE FOR 1859. Hydraulion Fire Company being under repair, no service can be rendered by that Company for the present, except as a Hose PESPECTFULLY call the attention of purchapair, no service can be rendered by that brought out upon alarms of fire, except upon his special order.

stand are meeting with success.

LECTURE.-Rev. Dr. Ryder will deliver his LECTURE.—Rev. Dr. Ryder will deliver his jet being to make our stock as attractive as possisixth lecture at St. Mary's Church, this even-ble to the best class of buyers. ing, at 71 o'clock.

PROBABLE ROBBERY .- At an early hour vesterday morning, Mr. James King, of the arsenal, discovered two men overhauling the contents of a travelling trunk in an open square near the steamboat wharf. He got near enough to them to hear one declare that he had made six dollars in silver by the MEMORANDA. he had made six dollars in silver by the Schr. Marietta Burr, Nickerson, from this port. operation. Mr. King remonstrated with them, when the holder of the money replied that the owner could have it by calling on him for it; but as the individual is unknown the chances are against its being recovered. Mr. King placed the trunk and its contents in the hands of policeman Lloyd, who discovered the owner's name to be T. M. Lewis, of Virginia. It is probable that the trunk was lost or stolen en route from the depot to the boat, but whether the two men in whose possession it was discovered were guilty of robbery was not known yesterday .- Wash.

> The Washington chief of police, under direction of Mayor Berret, has organized a special detective police force, who will use most active and unremitting exertions to detect the vile perpetrators of the frequent incendiary fires in the Seventh Ward.

Capt. Meigs has addressed a letter to the Mayor of Washington, in relation to the Washington aqueduct and the water supply now available. He thinks that during the spring and fall the stream which flows into the reservoir now can be depended upon for an average supply of two million gallons, and the full head be preserved in the reservoir. There should be no apprehension of an insufficient supply of water for domestic purposes, to prevent the city from entering at once upon the work of laving the distributing pipes under the act of Congress .-Captain Meigs adds: "I cannot too strongly urge the importance of at once entering upon the work of laying the distributing pipes. The loan authorized by Congress should lay, if judiciously managed, in Washington and Georgetown, some forty or fifty miles of pipe. The government mains are so laid that the city will be sufficiently supplied for many years by laying only four inch and six inch pipe, and but a few of the latter."

On Monday evening last, a son of Mr. Wisemiller, while standing on the corner of King and Alfred streets, had his cap impudently snatched from off his head by a colored boy, who ran down King and turned into Washington street, but with such speed as to prevent his being overtaken, although hotly pursued by several youths. This was a "small highway robbery."

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BY MAGNETIC TELEGRAPH.

Later from Havana and Central America. New York, March 29 .- The steamship Empire City, from Havana on the 24th, has arrived with a portion of the passengers and Triplett, in the rear of their store on King mails of the steamer Illinois. The Granada was to leave Havana on the same day with the treasure and the remainder of the passen-

A letter from Panama of the 16th says that Sir W. Gore Ouseley's treaty was ratitwo mules were run over by a locomotive on ery. Fears had been expressed during the fied and definitely signed by Martinez, and transmitted to England on the 10th inst., in the steamer from Aspinwall to Southampton. The Havana papers confirm the loss of the English steamer Jasseur.

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elegant Linen Sheetings, all widths, (warranted pure) Irish Linens, all grades and qualities Gloves, Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, &c. We give special attention to the selection of Cloths, Cassimeres. Vestings, and all goods required to complete a Gentleman's wardrobe. We ask the attention of heads of families to

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NOTICE .- The steamer JAMES NOTICE.—The steamer JAMES of Y having resumed her route on the Potomac River, will leave Washington on Tuesdays for Currioman, and on Fridays, company of the Potomac River and the Potomac River Research quesanays on the 5th of April, for Piney Point and Kinsale, at 6 A. M. Returning, will leave Kinsale on Saturday, at 4 A. M., stopping at all of the regular landings, going and returning.
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phia,) analysis of three cargoes, Way, London, Nesbit. 6 Voelcker, Royal Agric'l College, Eng. 75. " Loudet, Havre, France, 78.
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YE have received a full supply of this article, and shall keep it constantly on hand. It is composed of pure Percutan and Phosphatic Granos, from the Islands of Chincha and Nevassa, combined and closely integrated by machinery.

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Office, in the city of Alexandria, a TENEside of Fayette street, in the said city of Alexan dris, bounded as follows: Beginning on Fayetta street, at the distance of 100 feet, north, from the middle of the square, between King and Cameron streets; thence with Fayette street, northward y, 19 feet; thence westwardly, parallel with tameron street, 80 feet, to a ten feet alley; thence with said alley, and parallel to Fayette street, southwardly, 19 feet; thence to the beginning, with the right of way over said alley, and the alleys connected therewith, in connection with others entitled there to, and subject to an annual rent, in fee, of six dollars, payable to the City Council of Alexandria.

TERMS OF SALE .- One-tenth of the purchase oney to be paid in hand, at the time of sale; the residue in three equal instalments, at 6, 12, and 18 months from the day of sale, with interest; the deferred payments to be secured by the bonds of the purchaser, with good personal security; the title to be retained until the purchase money is fully paid, and the property to be resold upon of the purchaser to comply with the terms
F. L. SMITH,
LAW. B. TAYLOR. of sale.

MOMMISSIONER'S SALE .- In pursuance of a County, rendered at November term. 1858, in the suit of H. L. Simpson vs. Corse, Snowden & Corse, and others, I will offer for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, in front of the Mayor's office. in the city of Alexandria, on Monday, the 2d day

of May, 1859, at 11 o'clock, A. M., that valuables
TENEMENT and LOT OF GROUND, situated on the West side of Royal street, between King and Cameron streets in the city of Alexandria, fronting on Royal street, 20 feet, in depth 50 feet, with the improvements and appertenances, now occupied as a boot and shoe store, and man-

ufactory, by the said H. L. Simpson.

TERMS OF SALE:—One tenth of the purchase money, to be paid in hand; the balance equal instalments, at six, twelve, and eighteen nonths, from the day of sale; the deferred pay ments to bear interest, and to secured by the notes of the purchaser, with an approved endorser, and retention of the title of the property, until all said payments are made; the property to be resold, at the purchaser's risk, upon his failure to comply with the terms of sale. LAW. B. TAYLOR. mh 30-eots BY S. J. McCORMICK-AUCTIONEER.

A UCTION SALE.—In pursuance of a decree of the County Court of Alexandria County, Va., rendered at the February term of said Count, in the suit of J. T. Johnson and others vs. the heirs of William Campbell dec'd., the undersigned Commissioner of sale, therein named, will offer 79.70 for sale at public Auction on Saturday the 79.31 9th of April, 1859, at 12 o'clock, M., in front of of 1st sample, 89.60 | the Mayors Office, in the city of Alexandria, V The HOUSE AND LOT, of which the late Wil-liam Campbell died seized, situated on the north side of Duke between Pitt and St. Asaph streets, fronting on Duke 23 feet six inches, run ning back northerly one hundred and five feet; this property is subject to an annual ground rent of

forty-eight dollars, which by the terms of the orig 76.85 | inal deed can be purchased for the sum of hive hundred dollars. The terms of sale as prescribed by the decree are as follows: -One third of the purchase money to be paid in cash on the day of sale, and the residue in two equal instalments, at six and twelve months respectively, from the day of sale, and to be secured by the bonds of the purchaser, with approved security—the title to the property to be

suit of Thatcher Perkins vs. Edward Cowling and als., the undersigned will offer for sale, at pul auction, in front of the Mayor's Office, in the city of Alexandria, on FRIDAY, the lat day of April, 1859, at 12 o'clock, M., the TRACT OF LAND now occupied by the said Thatcher Perkins, in the County of Fairfax, called "MOUNT PLEASANT. and containing 150 Acres, more or less. This tract of land binds on the Mount Vernon road, is situated on a commanding eminence, overlooking the city of Alexandria, from which it is distant about miles. The soil is good, and the land has been much improved by the present occupant, who also lately erected upon it a handsome and com-modious DWELLING HOUSE, at a cost of some four or five thousand dollars. The place

is so well known, as to render further description TERMS.—One-teath of the purchase money will be required in hand; the balance in three equal instalments, at 6, 12, and 18 months from the day of sale; the deferred payments to bear interest, to be secured by the bonds of the purchaser, with approved security, and retention of the title until said deferred payments are made; the cash pay-ment to be forfeited, and the land resold, at the purchaser's risk, on failure to comply with the

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